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APPARATUS, AUDIO INFORMATION
RECORDING METHOD, AUDIO INFORMATION
REPRODUCING APPARATUS, AND AUDIO
INFORMATION REPRODUCING METHOD

Group Art Unit: 2614

Examiner:

SIR:

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SECOND STATUS REQUEST FOR FIRST OFFICE ACTION (in duplicate)

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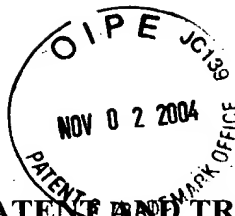
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Sir:

The Patent Office is respectfully requested to inform the undersigned of the
approximate date a first Official Action will be issued on this Application.

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